

# BOTTOM, CHARMED MESONS ( $B = C = \pm 1$ )

$$B_c^+ = c\bar{b}, B_c^- = \bar{c}b, \text{ similarly for } B_c^* \text{'s}$$

$B_c^\pm$

$$I(J^P) = 0(0^-)$$

$I, J, P$  need confirmation.

Quantum numbers shown are quark-model predictions.

Mass  $m = 6.277 \pm 0.006$  GeV ( $S = 1.6$ )

Mean life  $\tau = (0.453 \pm 0.041) \times 10^{-12}$  s

$B_c^-$  modes are charge conjugates of the modes below.

| $B_c^+$ DECAY MODES $\times B(\bar{b} \rightarrow B_c)$  | Fraction ( $\Gamma_i/\Gamma$ )       | $p$<br>Confidence level (MeV/c) |
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| The following quantities are not pure branching ratios; rather the fraction<br>$\Gamma_i/\Gamma \times B(\bar{b} \rightarrow B_c)$ . |                                      |                                 |
| $J/\psi(1S)\ell^+\nu_\ell$ anything  | $(5.2^{+2.4}_{-2.1}) \times 10^{-5}$ | —                               |
| $J/\psi(1S)\pi^+$  | $< 8.2 \times 10^{-5}$               | 90% 2372                        |
| $J/\psi(1S)\pi^+\pi^+\pi^-$  | $< 5.7 \times 10^{-4}$               | 90% 2352                        |
| $J/\psi(1S)a_1(1260)$  | $< 1.2 \times 10^{-3}$               | 90% 2171                        |
| $D^*(2010)^+\bar{D}^0$   | $< 6.2 \times 10^{-3}$               | 90% 2468                        |

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